UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

IN RE WORLD TRADE CENTER DISASTER

SITE LITIGATION

IN RE WORLD TRADE CENTER LOWER MAHATTAN DISASTER SITE LITIGATION

IN RE COMBINED WORLD TRADE CENTER AND LOWER MANHATTAN DISASTER SITE LITIGATION

ORDER

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ALVIN K. HELLERSTEIN, U.S.D.J:

This order responds to the letter of Howe & Russell, P.C., dated May 26, 2010, asking if my comment at the hearing of March 19, 2010, concerning contingent fees of plaintiffs' lawyers applies to them. I intended my comment to apply to all the plaintiffs' lawyers who might be sharing in contingency arrangements. I anticipate that reductions in such fees, if proposed to improve the benefits flowing to the plaintiffs by reason of any revised settlement agreement, are proposed on behalf of all lawyers and law firms expecting to share in the fees chargeable to plaintiffs or collected from plaintiffs' recoveries. If any attorneys decline so to be governed, they will have to apply to the court for appropriate relief.

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SO ORDERED.

Dated:

New York, New York

ALVIN K. HELLERSTEIN

United States District Judge